

FIRST PRESIDENT OF POLAND ASSASSINATED

Proceedings Challenging Re-Election of Senator Lodge Transferred to Senate

IRREGULARITIES IN ELECTION CLAIMED CHARGES MADE

Defeated Candidate Declares Lodge Has Been Repudiated in Massachusetts.

HEARING DEMANDED

Action Likely to Be Taken Until New Congress Convenes in March.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The proceedings begun in Massachusetts challenging the re-election of the Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, the Republican leader, today were transferred to the Senate itself.

A "protest and challenge" against the election of Senator Lodge was received by Vice-President Coolidge from Conrad W. Crocker, attorney for John A. Nichols, defeated prohibition candidate and representative of the Liberal Republican League of Massachusetts.

"Flagrant irregularities" in the November 7 senatorial election were charged in Mr. Crocker's petition, which declared Senator Lodge was a "minority" winner and had been "repudiated." Mr. Crocker asked for an immediate hearing.

The papers are to be referred to the Senate privileges and elections committee.

It is not customary for the committee or Senate to take action on election contests until the convening of the new Congress which they affect and Senate leaders indicated today that despite the request for immediate action the Crocker proceedings would lie dormant until March 4.

Mr. Crocker's statement said that "Massachusetts has repudiated Lodge and all the reactionary obstruction that he stands for."

"Flagrant irregularities in the conduct of the election occurred all over the state," Mr. Crocker said, "and the result as tabulated by the governor and council as the basis for the issuance of a certificate of election to Lodge is a result that cannot be accepted or recognized as representative of a legal or final result."

Mr. Crocker said his fight was not in behalf of William A. Gaston, who was the Democratic candidate, and was not a partisan move but was designed "to unseat the man who has accomplished more harm as an obstructor of world peace and the natural expression of liberal thought than any man since Nero."

SPECIAL TEN DAY OFFER
25¢ Set of \$12.50
Teeth
DR. S. P. STELLEY
330 Main St.

NOTICE!

A list of lands delinquent for the nonpayment of 1920 taxes, is now in the office of the Sheriff. Unless redeemed, such lands will be sold on the third Monday in December.

Such list will be published in the West Virginian and Fairmont Times once each week for four successive weeks. Any of the lands said to be delinquent may be redeemed by paying to the Sheriff the amount due thereon, including commissions and costs of advertising.

J. D. CHARLTON,
Sheriff of Marion County.

GIVE LEATHER GIFTS

We are leather dealers exclusively and it is our business to know and sell to the public quality leather goods only.

A Few Leather Gift Suggestions

Hand Bags	Men's Belts
Purses	Pony saddles and
Dog Collars	Bridles
& Harness	

Name it and We Will Make it

H. E. McElfresh, 218 Jackson St.

Incubator Baby at Cook Hospital Not to Have Christmas Stocking

Cook Hospital has one baby in the hospital nursery that will not likely get to hang up its little sock on Christmas eve. This baby, in fact, has not yet dared to stick its nose outside a prescribed temperature, or wave its wee fist outside the soft wrappings that snugly enfold it.

All of this is because this extremely young man would not abide his proper time for admittance to earthly sojourn and arrived so much ahead of schedule that he must stand in line, so to speak, until he is full fledged enough to properly enter the ranks of qualified babyhood. Just now he is reposing in an incubator, where he has been since November 18.

The baby is a Caesarian baby, rescued from death by one of the most difficult operations in surgery. The mother has completely recovered from the ordeal and has been dismissed from the hospital, but she returns every day to see her young son, need less to state.

The baby now weighs three pounds and seven ounces. When he has achieved five pounds he will probably be released from his close but cozy confinement and take his place in the world with other babies.

Cook Hospital has three other new babies in the nursery at present, all very happy, and very red, and, at regular intervals, very hungry. This, according to the nurse in charge, is correct and proper behavior for all infants of tender age.

SALVATION ARMY DONATIONS MADE MINER ASSAULTED AND ROBBED HERE

Christmas Dinner to Be Given Next Saturday—Tree Planned Following Thursday.

Numerous contributions are being received by the Salvation Army for the Christmas dinner and Christmas tree to be given for the poor people of the city during the holiday season. Practically all of the contributions are being made without suggestion. However, the contributions made through the pots on the street corners this year have not been as heavy as in previous years, and additional contributions will be needed to defray the expenses of the Christmas entertainments, according to Capt. Alfred Carr.

About fifteen couples over 70 years old are among the poor people to be provided for this year by the Salvation Army. The Christmas dinner will be distributed between 2 and 4 o'clock next Saturday afternoon, when it is expected that between 100 and 150 baskets of groceries, each containing a dressed chicken, will be given away. On the Thursday following Christmas, the Salvation Army will give its Christmas tree entertainment for the poor.

The recent contributions to the Christmas fund are as follows:

O'Donnell mine employees, \$34.84	Florence Kinney Bible Class \$10.00
Woman's Club \$10.00	Sally N. Showalter \$10.00
Anna V. Lloyd \$10.00	Local Union No. 929, Painters, Decorators and Paper-hangers \$10.00
First M. P. Woman's Home Missionary Society \$10.00	J. C. Blakemore \$5.00
Dora Lee Cox \$2.00	

Captain Carr has issued a statement advising the public that no subscriptions are being solicited for the Salvation Army at this time excepting through the battles on the street. According to Captain Carr, a young woman of the city is soliciting money from people, claiming it is for the Salvation Army, and it is reported that she stood in the postoffice today asking for funds.

LOST
A folding leather hand bag containing glasses, small purse and valuable papers. Finder return to Advertising Department of The West Virginian and receive reward.

BIG DANCE
Tonight
MASONIC TEMPLE
9 TO 12
Class 7:30 to 8:30

MINER ASSAULTED AND ROBBED HERE

Former Sailor Takes Miner Out for a Walk and Hits Him on Head With Club.

Joe Mix, a former sailor, still wearing the uniform of a seafaring man, is a prisoner in the county jail awaiting a preliminary hearing on a charge of feloniously assaulting and robbing William Machek, of near Lowville.

Mix claims that he was discharged from one of the big boats about six weeks ago when questioned at the county jail as to why he was still wearing the uniform of a sailor he had been out of the service six months.

Machek reported his trouble to city and county officers shortly before midnight last night, and Mix was arrested at Mannington early today and brought to the county jail here.

Machek said that he had been in the city and had gone to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Co. passenger station to await the arrival of a train to go to his home. While in the waiting room Mix came in and sat down and started talking to him. After they had talked for a short time Mix suggested that they take a short walk down into the yards.

Machek said that Mix looked like a nice fellow and he accompanied him on the walk. When they were some little distance from the station Machek said he noticed that Mix had a club in his hand. The next thing he knew the club struck him on the head with great force.

When he rallied enough to realize what had happened he discovered that Mix was gone. He then looked for his money, \$100, and it was gone. "His own gold watch and a watch which he had purchased at a local jewelry store for a friend were also gone, as well as \$1 worth of Christmas cards, which he had obtained during the day."

Machek made his way back to the station and started in search of an officer. He soon found Night Chief Shroyer of the police force and told him his story. Night Chief Shroyer called Policeman Hawkins and they started a search for Mix. Deputy Sheriff Howard Charlton was also called and aided in the search.

After a while a clue was discovered which led the chase to Mannington where Mix was arrested. When searched, \$50 of the stolen money and one of the gold watches were recovered. The other gold watch, \$50 or Machek's money and the Christmas cards were not found. Mix was brought to this city and locked up in the county jail. Later in the morning Mix was searched again but none of the other articles or money lost was found.

Prosecuting Attorney Frank R. Amos is making thorough investigation of the case and as soon as it is finished Mix will be given a preliminary hearing. The officers believe that Mix is going under an assumed name and that he is wearing the sailor uniform for a disguise. It is believed that he is wanted in other cities for more serious crimes.

MINES ON EVERY DIVISION HIT BY SHORTAGE TODAY

132 Mines on Monongah and 76 on Charleston Division Are Down.

Every one of the divisions was hard hit by acute car shortage today in Northern West Virginia. The average car percentage is 10 per cent. Only one empty was placed today on the Wyatt-Bingamon & Helen's Run branch of the Western Maryland Railway.

Cars on the Monongah Division, B. & O. were down to 18 per cent today and the supply on the Monongahela was limited also, with but an 18 per cent supply. Along the Charleston Division B. & O. the supply dwindled to 3 per cent. The Pennsylvania end of the Monongahela had but a 7 per cent run. One hundred and thirty-two mines were reported to have been idle today because of car shortage on the Monongah Division. Seventy-six operations were down because of the same condition along the Charleston Division today.

The best car supply today was along the M. & W., where there was a 56 per cent run. Most of these cars no doubt are assigned. Car supply data follows:

Railroads Division Placed Empty	B. & O.	7 A. M. Ordered
Monongah	750	455
Charleston	13	12
M. & W.	335	335
M. R. R.	135	135
W. B. & H. R.	1	1
Total	1234	939

1,228 Cars Loaded.
Operations in Northern West Virginia on Friday loaded 1,228 cars of coal. The production by divisions was as follows: B. & O., Monongah, 379 cars; Charleston, 60 cars; Connellsville, 5 cars; Cumberland, 112 cars; M. & K., 68 cars; M. & W., 113 cars; M. R. R., 135 cars.

RAILROAD FUEL GREATER FRIDAY

Outcome of Miners' Election in Sub-District No. 4 Still in Doubt.

Railroad fuel loading off the Monongah Division, B. & O., took a slight brace yesterday when 411 cars were loaded. Foreign loading aggregated 292 cars yesterday or 102 cars stronger than it was on Thursday. The B. & O. obtained 149 cars, which, with the exception of Monday, proved to be the strongest daily order of this week.

Foreign loads obtained 113 cars of fuel off the M. & W. Other divisions loaded scattered railroad fuel, tonnage of only limited quantities.

Personal Mention
Robert A. Pollock, president of the Rivesville Coal Co., went to Pittsburgh yesterday on a business trip and from there he will go to Canton, Ohio, to visit relatives.

Clarence D. Robinson, president of the Robinson Coal Co., has returned from a trip to Pittsburgh.

W. E. Watson, general manager of the Fairmont & Cleveland Coal Co., has been in Pittsburgh on a several days' trip.

R. E. Rightmire, engineer of tests, Consolidation Coal Co., has returned from a trip to New York City.

Frank R. Lyon, vice president of the Consolidation Coal Co., is in the city.

Patrick Buckley, vice president of sub-district 4, and E. S. McCullough, labor commissioner of the Northern West Virginia Coal Operators' Association, conferred on cases at Monongah yesterday.

Last evening Mr. Buckley was in Clarksburg with Frank McCarty, district board member.

President C. Frank Keeney, Charleston, president of district 17, did not arrive in Clarksburg last night but was expected today.

Frank McCarty, district board member, was in Clarksburg today and was expected to get ball for (Continued on page four.)

FARMERS SEEK TO GET LONGER LOANS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Legislation making it possible for the farmer to borrow from the farm loan banks for nine months periods and individual sums up to \$25,000 was advocated today in a legislative policy adopted by National Council of Farmers Cooperative Marketing Associations meeting in convention here.

BOOTHS REOPENED FOR SEAL SALES

Workers Announced for Continuation of Tuberculosis Campaign Here.

The tuberculosis seal sale booths were reopened today and the campaign will now continue until Christmas as the result of a decision made recently by the workers in authority. The last deposit made in the name of the booth sale totaled the amount received at \$635. Next week's sale is expected to swell the fund to even larger proportions.

Mary Hartley Greer, chairman of the booth campaign has named the following chairmen for next week's work: Mrs. Ralph Burt who will have charge of the State Bank booth; Mrs. Tusca Morris the postoffice; Miss Margaret Arkwright Martin's Drug Store; Mrs. Fred Helmick Hartley's Store; Mrs. Carl Andre, People's National Bank; Miss Nettie Martin, National Bank of Fairmont; Mrs. A. W. Patton, Fairmont Trust Co.; Miss Bess Mason, Home Savings Bank; Mrs. Raymond Fisher, Fairmont Hotel.

Mrs. Ralph Burt has named the following people to assist her: Mrs. Mitchell Mills, Mrs. Harry Neptune, Mrs. Margaret Parrish, Mrs. Harry Arnett, Mrs. C. M. Ramage, Mrs. Harry Alfred, Mrs. Claude Layman, Mrs. Ayon Reynolds, Mrs. J. Thomas, Mrs. Anson Marshall, Mrs. Clark Grose, Mrs. Robert McCoy, Mrs. J. Hall and Mrs. N. Workman. The following workers have been named to serve with Mrs. A. W. Patton: Mrs. Paul Amos, Mrs. Floyd Patton, Mrs. Walter Foster, Mrs. Sidney Reynolds, Mrs. M. W. Seabolt and Mrs. Ralph Doolittle.

Mrs. J. E. Smith will assist Miss Nettie Martin Monday and Tuesday and Miss Edith Hunsaker will serve Wednesday. Mrs. Raymond Fisher's assistants will consist of Miss Mary Lee, Miss Edna Miller, Miss Meta Gallagher, Miss Margaret Gaskill and Miss Meredith Kline. Miss Bess Mason will be assisted by Mrs. J. W. Mason, Mrs. J. R. Sheridan and Mrs. Carroll Helmick. Mrs. Carl Andre will have as her workers Mrs. Ward Downs, Miss Louise Conn, Miss Mildred Jones, Mrs. Wendell Hess and Miss Erma Henry.

Mrs. Fred Helmick's corps of workers is composed of Mrs. J. S. Pierpont, Miss Willa Leonard, Mrs. W. J. Boydston, Mrs. Glen Downs, Mrs. Howard Ross, Mrs. Ayon Reynolds, Mrs. Frank Lee, Mrs. Virginia Fitzhugh, Miss Virginia Cook, Miss Pauline Kirk, Miss Frances Helmick, Mrs. A. O. Westover, Miss Naomi Heffner and Miss Edna Miller. Miss Margaret Arkwright will be assisted by Mrs. Margaret Gaskill, Irene Terrick, Meta Gallagher and Meredith Kline.

Another phase of the seal campaign is represented in the work (Continued on page four.)

COUNTY OFFICERS MAKE FOUR ARRESTS IN RAIDS

County officers made four arrests in raids conducted yesterday afternoon and evening. At Monongah the officers raided the home of Philip Salda and found some moonshine whisky. Mrs. Salda and Andy Bora, who was found in the house at the time, were arrested and brought to jail. They will be tried on the charge early next week.

Nick Broeben of Grant Town was arrested on a warrant charging him with shooting at a man who testified at the coroner's inquest held over the death of Constable W. H. Skinner. The officers say Broeben threatened he would shoot him if he testified and recently fired several shots at him. Broeben will be given a preliminary hearing on the charge next week.

Ruth Phillips, charged with being a drug addict, was arrested and placed in the county jail to await a hearing before the County Court. County officers feel that the girl should be sent to the State Hospital at Wetmore for treatment.

TO MAKE PROTEST.

LAUSANE, Dec. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—Ambassador Richard Washburn Child, as head of the American delegation to the Near East conference, plans to make a protest against the Greek proposal to expel the Turkish patriarchy from Constantinople at this afternoon's meeting of the sub-commission on minorities.

KELLER REFUSES TO OBEY ORDERS OF HOUSE AGAIN

Congressman Acts on Advice of Counsel in Defying House Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Representative Keller, Republican Minnesota, failed again today to appear before the House Judiciary committee to give evidence under oath as to the information on which he based his impeachment charges against Attorney General Daugherty.

Keller's counsel, Jackson H. Ralston, announced he had advised his client that the committee had exceeded its authority and that he was not required to appear in response to the committee summons. Chairman Volstead said that the subpoena served on Mr. Keller had been signed by the speaker of the House and that in ordering the appearance of the Minnesota representative the committee had acted for the House. He added that the committee could now report Mr. Keller back to the House for contempt.

After Chairman Volstead had advised that it slowly in reaching a decision the committee deferred until Monday any action with respect to Mr. Keller's refusal to appear.

PYTHIANS TO BUY STATE HOME SITE

Local Order to Bid for Home Establishment Near Fairmont.

The Order of Knights of Pythias is in the market for a site for the location of a Pythian home and children's institute. At the last grand lodge meeting of the order a resolution was adopted authorizing the purchase of land for the purpose.

Just recently a communication has been received by Mountain City Lodge No. 48, Knights of Pythias, suggesting that publicly be given to the purposes of the order in this respect so that persons, firms or individuals having lands adapted to the purpose might submit propositions. Attorney General England of Charleston, W. Va., is secretary of the special committee appointed for the selection of a site.

The other members of this committee are Harry R. Bell, grand chancellor of Wheeling; James H. Beans of Wheeling; E. J. Cheshire, of Piedmont; C. O. Dunn of Beckley; T. H. Clay of Huntington and C. A. Schutte of Seim.

In the communication received by the local lodge an invitation was extended to Fairmont and vicinity to submit such propositions as may be had.

The general specifications desired by the special committee for the site are briefly as follows:

- (a) Not more than 300 acres.
- (b) One-half or more bottom or level land suitable for cultivation.
- (c) A desirable site for a Pythian town, elevated above level land, containing thirty to fifty acres.
- (d) The residue of the land suitable for grazing purposes, except a portion of wooded land very desirable.
- (e) Located on state road.
- (f) Located in close proximity to some good town or city; few miles distant not objectionable.
- (g) Good water and plentiful supply.
- (h) Good conditions for sanitation and health.
- (i) Soil must be very productive.

The local lodge of the Pythian order will make an effort to have the home established in the vicinity of Fairmont. It is quite probable that a local committee will be appointed to canvass the situation. Any person having lands approximating the specifications of the special committee should communicate with George H. Brobst, keeper of records and seal, Fairmont, according to a statement issued today.

TO HOLD SERVICES

The Royal Neighbors of America will hold a brief service this evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McKinney on Market street for Miss Beatrice McKinney, a member of the organization, whose death occurred Thursday afternoon. The service will be held at 8 o'clock and the funeral will take place at 2:30 Sunday afternoon from the Palatine Baptist Church.

TROUBLE AT NAVY HOP CLOSED NOW

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The incident at the midshipmen's ball at Philadelphia after the Army-Navy game, which prompted Secretary Denby to order an official investigation, apparently was closed by the Navy Department today with publication of the findings of the investigation board and the department's conclusions, holding that while in the light of previous experience the measures adopted to prevent disorderly conduct should have been sufficient, "it is to be regretted if the steps taken did not meet the required end."

The department found that in accordance with custom, no officer of the Naval Academy had been specifically detailed to supervise the conduct of the ball. In an indorsement attached to the finding the Bureau of Navigation recommended that in the future "responsible Naval Academy officers" be assigned to such duty.

NULL TRIES TO WRECK KENYON

Hundred Man Must Face Five Charges as Result of Row at Hotel.

D. W. Null of Hundred ran amuck at the Kenyon Hotel at 9 o'clock this morning and before City Policeman Dignan could reach his room he had thrown his personal baggage and part of the equipment of the room through the windows. The rest of the furniture, which was too large to get through the windows, was turned upside down and the glass on a dresser smashed.

L. W. Poling, manager of the hotel, called the policeman, who hurried to the room occupied by Null and attempted to put him under arrest. Null charged the officer and in the scuffle that followed he dislocated his left thumb. Aided by Howard Woodward and Mr. Poling, Policeman Dignan finally got Null under control and took him to the police station.

When Dignan searched the room occupied by Null he found a part of a quart bottle of moonshine whisky and a Colt automatic revolver. At the police station Null continued to abuse the policeman and the whole police department in general. Chief of Police L. D. Snider called Dr. H. L. Criss, who hurried to the station and set Null's dislocated thumb. He was then taken to jail to await trial Monday morning. He was too drunk to be tried today.

Null is charged with being drunk and disorderly with resisting arrest, with having moonshine whisky in his possession and with having a revolver in his possession. The city will try Null on the first three charges Monday morning. After the city is through with Null he will be turned over to the county for prosecution on the charges of violating the State Prohibition Law and also for violating the Johnson Pistol Toting Law.

Little could be learned about Null other than that he hailed from Hundred. He asked members of the force to call some of his local friends, and from the names of the men mentioned it is believed that Null is engaged in the oil and gas business.

Norman Lake and Andy Talove, arrested by members of the police force during the night on charges of being intoxicated in Water street, entered pleas of guilty when arraigned before Acting Mayor W. E. Arnett this morning. The acting mayor imposed fines of \$5 and costs upon each. The men were unable to pay and were sent to jail for five days.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Karl G. Pearson, 17-year old Washington High School boy, has been awarded the annual Harvey S. Firestone University scholarship for the best good roads essay submitted by high school pupils throughout the United States and its territorial possessions, the Highway Education Board announced today. The scholarship is valued at not less than \$4,000. Approximately 250,000 essays were submitted.

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NARUTOWICZ IS KILLED VISITING ART EXHIBITION

Disorders Since Election of New Leader Reach Climax in Slaying Today.

DECLARED A RADICAL

Authority of Supreme Executive Taken Over by Vic-tim Two Days Ago.

WARSAW, Dec. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—Gabriel Narutowicz, first president of Poland was assassinated today.

M. Narutowicz was killed while visiting an art exhibition. There have been continuous disorders ever since President Narutowicz was elected by the National Assembly one week ago today. On that occasion there was tumultuous clamor growing out of his unexpected choice to succeed General Pilsudski, the battle between the rival factions and the police resulting in four deaths and the injury of more than 100 persons.

President Narutowicz took over the supreme executive authority from Marshal Pilsudski only two days ago, the ceremony taking place Thursday.

The opposition to the choice of M. Narutowicz came mainly from the Nationalists, the members of this party resenting the election of a man who they declared represented the non-Polish and radical element.

The Nationalist deputies after the election announced that they would refuse to support M. Narutowicz or any cabinet appointed by him. They asserted he was elected by the vote of the Jews, Ukrainians, Germans and Russians, receiving only 155 Polish votes, while 227 Polish votes were cast for Count Zamoycki.

Under the constitution, the speaker of the House acts as president in case of the death of the president and is required at once to convene the National Assembly to choose a new chief executive.

The assassination occurred exactly at noon, the president dying a few moments later.

M. Narutowicz was killed by an artist named Niewodomski, who fired three shots. Every shot took effect.

MRS. CARPENTER TO BE BURIED MONDAY

The funeral of Mrs. Jessie Allie Carpenter, 38 years old, wife of Walter Carpenter, whose death occurred yesterday afternoon at Cook Hospital, will probably be held at 3:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the First Methodist Protestant Church in Market street with the Rev. J. J. Phillips, pastor of the church, and the Rev. C. C. Lawson officiating. Burial will be made in Maple Grove Cemetery.

Mrs. Carpenter was a daughter of John and Anna Skinner of Gilmer County. She is survived by her husband and two children, Oscar and Anna, and by the following brothers and sisters: Oscar and Coey Skinner, Fairmont; Mrs. Minnie Zion, Fairmont; Mrs. Edna Carpenter, Marion County; Mrs. Arline Yaborn, Mrs. Virgie Kerne and Miss Harel Skinner, Gilmer County.

9 DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS



WRAPPING PAPER BY THE ROLL
YARDS AND YARDS OF STRING
NOW THEY'RE ROUND THE PRESENTS
THAT THE CHRISTMAS MORNING WILL BRING